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PROCESSING OF A

HYDROCARBON

CONTAINING FORMATION

IN A REDUCING ENVIRONMENT

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Amendment

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Please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

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04/04/2003 EHARRIS 00000008 501505 01 FC:1202 In the Specification: 54.00 CH

Listed below is a clean copy of amended paragraphs of the Specification. A marked-up copy of the amended paragraphs is provided in an accompanying document.

On page 38, please delete the paragraph beginning on line 14, and substitute therefor:

As used herein, "a method of treating a hydrocarbon containing formation" may be used interchangeably with "an in situ conversion process for hydrocarbons." "Hydrocarbons" are

